

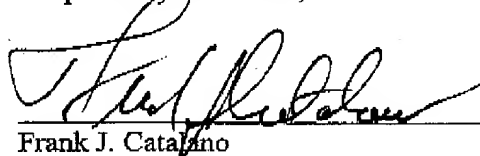
REMARKS

Claims 2-7 are pending in the application. Claim 1 was previously canceled. Claims 2, 3, 6 and 7 are canceled with this Response. Applicants herein reassert their arguments that these claims are allowable over the cited references. These claims are canceled so that this application may proceed to allowance and issuance on those claims that have already been allowed. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the canceled claims in a future application.

Claims 4 and 5 have been allowed. They are the only claims which remain in this application. Therefore, Notice Allowance is respectfully requested.

Enclosed please find a Petition for Extension of Time. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional costs or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1971.

Respectfully submitted,



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